Assessment of implementation of Tenth Plan

1494. SHRI. S. ANBALAGAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has made assessment of the quality of implementation of various plan schemes and programmes of the Tenth Plan Period;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the outcome thereof;

(c) whether any corrective measures are proposed to be initiated during the Eleventh Plan period in the light of the outcome; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN): (a) and (b) The assessement of quality of implementation of various Plan schemes and programmes is a continuing process.

(c) and (d) Such inputs are considered by the relevant Working Groups/Steering Groups constituted by Planning Commission for formulating Five Year Plan including the Eleventh Plan.

Study of developmental activities

1495. SHRIMATI SYEDA ANWARA TAIMUR:
SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has made any in-depth study of the developmental activities and their visible imprint for equal distribution of benefits across the economic ladder, both during the period of mixed economy till eighties, and after "liberalization and massive dose of subsidies" from nineties onwards; and

(b) if so, whether the extant policies and programmes being followed, both at the Central and States, are adequate for moving towards a competitive economy in the global scenario not only to sustain a vibrant and liberal polity, but India becoming a developed Nation by 2020?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN): (a) and (b) Specific studies to assess the impact of the developmental activities on the distribution of benefits across the economic ladder are not available from official sources. However, developmental activities in the country are reviewed in each Five Year Plans and in the Mid-Term Appraisal of the five Year Plans. The Eleventh Five year Plan, which covers the period 2007-08 to 2011-12, has set the growth target for the economy at 9% per year for the Plan period and aims at putting the economy on a sustainable growth trajectory with a growth of approximately 10% by the end of its period. Associated with this projection involves doubling the growth rate of agriculture to 4% per year compared 2.3% per year in the Tenth Plan, raising the industrial growth from 9.2% in the Tenth Plan to between 10% and 11% in the Eleventh Plan, and the growth of services sector from 9.3% in the Tenth Plan to between 9% and 11% in the Eleventh Plan. The per capita income, measures by Gross Domestic Product (GDP) is projected to grow at about 7.6 percent per year to double in the less than ten years. Recognizing good qualtiy infrastructure as the most critical

physical requirement for attaining faster growth in a competitive world, the Eleventh Plan lays special emphasis for infrastructure development. The total investment needed in infrastructure, defined to include electric power, roads, railways, ports, airports, telecommunications, irrigation, drinking water, sanitation, storage and warehousing is projected to increase to almost 9% of GDP by the terminal year of the Eleventh Plan. There is no projection as to the status of the economy in 2020 AD.

National Knowledge Commssion

†1496. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has set up a National Knowledge Commission during the last years;

(b) if so the date on which this Commission was set up alongwith the responsibilities entrusted to it;

(c) whether the Commission has submitted its report;

(d) if so, the salient features of this report; and

(e) the action taken by Government so far in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN): (a) and (b) The National Knowledge Commission (NKC) was constituted on 13th June 2005 as a high level advisory body to the Prime Minister of India. The Terms of Reference of NKC are as follows:

- Build excellence in the educational system to meet the knowledge challenges of the 21st century and increase India's competitive advantage in fields of knowledge.
- Promote creation of knowledge in Science and Technology laboratories
- Improve the management of institutions engaged in Intellectual Property Rights
- Promote knowledge applications in Agriculture and Industry
- Promote the use of knowledge capabilities in making government an effective, transparent and accountable service provider to the citizen and promote widespread sharing of knowledge to maximize public benefit.

(c) to (e) The details of reports are available on its website:

http://www.knowledgecommission.gov.in

The reports/recommendations are presently under examination in consultation with the concerned Central Ministries and State Governments.

Recommendation of Knowledge Commssion

1497. DR. (SHRIMATI) NAJMA A. HEPTULLA:
SHRI MAHENDRA MOHAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

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